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TITLE: Apparatus and Methods for Treating the Urinary Bladder

**INFORMATION DISCLOSURE STATEMENT**

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Sir:

In accordance with the provisions of 37 C.F.R. § 1.97, Applicants hereby make of record the reference listed on the accompanying PTO Form 1449 for consideration by the Examiner in connection with the examination of the above-identified patent application. In accordance with the provisions of 37 C.F.R. § 1.98(d), copies of the references are not enclosed as these references were previously cited by or submitted to the U.S. Patent and Trademark Office in a prior application (U.S.S.N 09/957,206) that is relied upon for an earlier filing date under 35 U.S.C. § 120.

**REMARKS**

In accordance with the provisions of 37 C.F.R. §1.97, this statement is being filed (CHECK ONE):

- ☒ (1) within three (3) months of the **Filing Date** or before the mailing date of the **First Office Action** on the merits; or
- ☐ (2) after the period defined in (1) but before the mailing date of a **Final Rejection** or **Notice of Allowance**, and
- ☐ the requisite Statement is below, **OR**
- ☐ the requisite fee under Rule 1.17(p), namely **\$240.00**, is included herein, or
- ☐ (3) after the mailing date of a **Final Rejection** or **Notice of Allowance** but before the payment of the **Issue Fee**, **AND**
- ☐ Applicant hereby Petitions the Commissioner to accept and consider the attached Information Disclosure Statement, **AND**
- ☐ the requisite Statement is below, **AND**
- ☐ the requisite petition fee due under Rule 1.17(i)(I), namely **\$130.00** is included herein.

It is respectfully requested that each of the references shown on the attached Form PTO-1449 be made of record in this application.

### STATEMENT

As required under §1.97(e), Applicants, through the undersigned, hereby state either that [check the appropriate space]:

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Should any fee associated with the submission of this paper not be attached hereto as a check, the Commissioner is authorized to charge the missing fee to our Deposit Account, No. 20-0531. Any overpayments should be credited to said Deposit Account.

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<b>FORM PTO - 1449</b>				<b>ATTORNEY DOCKET NO.: BSC-157DV</b>					
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<b>U.S. PATENT DOCUMENTS</b>									
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	A3	3,953,897	05/76	Chevallet et al.	623	23.65			
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<b>OTHER ART, JOURNAL ARTICLES, ETC.</b>									
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	C1	Parsons, "Interstitial Cystitis: New Concepts in Pathogenesis, Diagnosis, and Management" <u>San Diego '98 American Urological Association</u> , June 4, 1998, pp. 1-23							
	C2	Manhattan et al., "ICN Patient Handbook-Living with Interstitial Cystitis in 2001" <u>www.ic.network.com</u> , August 17, 2001, 8 pages							
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